

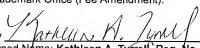
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Dear Madam:

Amendment with Request for Continued Examination

This reply is to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2007 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith. Also

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**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14.